

Bagnall Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 11 December 2007 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

Present

Cllr Dave Pearson (Chair) Cllr Peter Adams
Cllr Frank Hayes Cllr Roy Hewson
Cllr Peter Lawley Cllr Sybil Ralphs
Cllr Ken Simpson

In Attendance: Denise Cooper (Minute Clerk)
0 Members of the public

07.108 Apologies

No apologies were received.

07.109 Minutes of Meeting held on 9 October 2007 and 13 November 2007

The Minutes of the two previous meetings were read and assented as a true and accurate record.

07.110 Matters Arising not on agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

07.111 Finance issues

An invoice for £141.00 has been received from the audit commission for the external audit of the Parish Council finances. Payment was agreed.
Mrs Cooper presented an invoice for her fees in the sum of £80.00. Payment was agreed.

The Responsible Officer presented half-year accounts for consideration in the agreement of the precept for 2008/09. After discussion it was agreed to increase the precept to £5,200 and to continue with Jackson Nurseries as Lengthsman. With regards to the recruitment of a Clerk, Cllr Ralphs agreed to place an advert in the Moorlands Messenger in the first instance.

07.112 Planning Applications

Planning Permission has been received for

- Hilbury, Stanley Moss Lane, Stockton Brook
First floor side extension

Refusal of planning permission has been received for

- Canal Cottages, Stanley Road, Stockton Brook
Two storey side and first floor rear extension
- White Gates, Clewloes Bank, Bagnall
Demolition of existing single storey rear extension and erection of a two-storey side and rear extension

Bagnall Heights

A letter received from Mr Green, Staffordshire Moorlands District Council, which indicated that the commencement of the footpath around the development was

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imminent was read out. It was agreed to reply to Mr Green stating that despite his best efforts, for which we thank him, we are concerned that the situation is still dragging on.

07.113 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues

06.49(ii) – Well on Thorney Edge Lane

Following a conversation with the Solicitors, Cllr Hayes stated that he has been advised to undertake the work and seek recompense from the driver, although it was recognised that we may need to take this to the small claims court. Cllr Hewson agreed to investigate the costs this may incur and report back to the next meeting. Cllr Hayes will speak to the Solicitors to ascertain our chances of success. Once the work has been completed it was agreed to list the well as a historical monument.

07.48(ii) – Bin by the Ford

Cllr Simpson presented a draft sketch for discussion. It was agreed to proceed with this, but add a very brief narrative about Bagnall, include a compass and to identify a few prominent places on the map, ie church, Stafford Arms and the Butter Cross.

07.95(i) – Pot Hole Road Repairs

Although some remedial work has been undertaken, the situation is not totally resolved and Cllr Simpson will follow this up.

07.113(i) – Concrete Posts around the Horse Chestnut green

Cllr Simpson reported that following a vehicular accident the concrete posts have been damaged. The driver has agreed to replace the damaged posts.

07.114 Environmental Issues

07.78 – Dog Bins

Positions for the dog bins have now been agreed and Staffordshire Moorlands District Council advised.

07.114 – Dead Badgers

Cllr Hayes advised that he had spotted a dead badger at the side of the road near Spring Banks. Residents are advised that in the event of future sightings Staffordshire Moorlands District Council should be notified and under no circumstances should the animal be touched for health and safety reasons.

07.115 Correspondence

- Stoke on Trent Local Development Framework – Adoption of statement of community involvement
- Stoke on Trent City Centre and Etruria Road Corridor Area Action Plan – Draft Spatial Options
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Request for nominations for the Staffordshire Moorlands Sports Awards
- Cllr Mrs Jebb – Feedback from the Highways Department on replacement stiles

07.116 Any Other Business

- There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed(Chairman)

Date: 8 January 2008

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